



St. Louis has a Negro Tobacco Workers Union.

Hon. John C. Lawton is Deputy Collector of Customs at Darien, Ga.

The Odd Fellows have more lodges in Georgia than in any other state in the Union.

Several colored bakers and flour makers are employed by the National Biscuit Company of Philadelphia.

The Negro has one clerk, one pressman and two book binders in the Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C.

Mr. L. E. Perry owns and operates a mattress factory at St. Joseph, Mo., employing members of his race exclusively.

The Richland Cotton Mills recently presented 1000 yards of cloth to Rev. Richard Carroll's new Colored Industrial Home, near Columbia, S. C.

The paternal grandfather of Editor A. L. Manly, of the Washington Daily Record, was at one time governor of the state of North Carolina.

Editor C. J. Perry, of the Philadelphia Tribune, has been installed a superintendent of the Lombard Street Central Presbyterian Sunday-school in Philadelphia.

Lieutenant-Governor Caldwell appointed a young Afro-American from the orphan's home at Cincinnati, as a page in the Ohio legislature.

Dr. T. C. Unthouk, a graduate of the medical department of Howard University, was recently appointed assistant City Physician at Kansas City, Mo.

I. L. Lee, a leading undertaker in Atlanta, Ga., recently made some extensive improvements in his place of business, in order to better accommodate a constantly increasing volume of trade.

Out of 7,994 cases tried in the court at Kansas City during 1899, 2,272 were cases against Negroes, a little less than one-third of all cases tried, while the Negro population is but one-tenth of the city's population.

The women of the Negro city of Langston, O. T., lately raised money and have lighted the streets with fifteen gasoline lamps. The funds were secured by the giving of socials and the selling of fancy work made by the women.

A conference will be held at Montgomery by Alabama men in May to consider the race problem. Several Northern orators will be invited. The present condition of Southern Negroes and plans for their advancement will be discussed.

In the state of Maryland there are 5,000 colored men engaged in merchantile business on their own account. Many are successful farmers in the various countries of the State, some are engaged in blacksmithing, wheelwrights and carpenters.

Mrs. Ida B. Wells-Barnett is making her headquarters for a few weeks at the home of Bishop Alexander Walters in Jersey City, N. J. She is touring the North and East soliciting funds for the work of the anti-lynching bureau of the National Afro-American Council.

Near Texarkana, on the Red river, a wealthy Negro, worth \$7,000 in cash, \$12,000 in real estate has built a toll

bridge valued at \$4,000. He was shot from ambush for charging toll. White and colored are enraged at the dastardly deed.

Charles R. Jackson is postmaster at Darien, Ga. He was first appointed in 1889 by President Harrison and was Darien's first experiment with a colored postmaster. Mr. Jackson succeeded and raised the office to the presidential list. October 11, 1897, he was re-appointed by President McKinley.

A review of a table of statistics recently prepared by the Government shows some startling discrepancies in the argument that the Negro is America's chief degenerate. Only 5 per cent of his number is criminal; but 7 per cent of them are insane, and barely 9 per cent of them paupers.

Mrs. Matilda E. Wilson is one of our leading women of Southeast Georgia. She holds a state license as school teacher, and has taught in the public school of Darien for the past ten years. In 1894 she was elected by the board of education as assistant principal of the city school. She is highly educated and estimated to be worth about \$2,500.

"Peg-Leg Williams," a white emigrant agent well known in the South, has been inducing Negroes to leave Georgia by the thousands and go to other States and work for higher wages. The white farmers grew angry and threatening, and the officers of the law had to place him in jail to keep them from mobbing him.

There is a movement on foot among the more influential of the colored population of Louisville to establish a savings bank, possibly with an insurance feature in connection, for the benefit of the Negroes of the state. The plan which has been in embryonic state for some time is maturing under the care of Undertaker William Watson, David Stewart, Prof. J. E. Simpson, Attorney Albert White and others.

Dempsey D. Butler, a very noted and rich colored man died at his residence in Camden, N. J., recently of paralysis. Mr. Butler was born in Virginia in 1820. When 18 years of age he engaged in contract business and then came to Camden in 1848 and opened a general store on Kaighn's Avenue, where he has lived ever since. Mr. Butler was estimated to be worth \$100,000, and owned considerable property in Atlantic City. He was Past Grand Master of Masons and a member of the Knights Templar.

The boys and girls of Frankfort should receive especial inspiration from the life of the celebrated colored newspaper correspondent, Mr. Charles Stewart, says the Blue Grass Bugle. It has been but a few years ago since Mr. Stewart was a bare-foot urchin on the streets of Frankfort. Today, he is the most celebrated colored newspaper correspondent in the world employed by the Associated Press, and is doing a great work in moulding sentiment favorable to our people.

Among the many vice-presidents elected by the African Colonization Society for the ensuing year, two are colored, Bishop H. M. Turner and Rev. E. W. Blyden.

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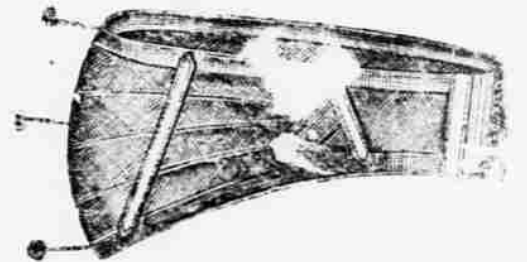
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